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UNIVERSITY | PRESIDENTIAL SEARCH

Close encounters with athletics

Three final presidential candidates talk about the importance of sports

By Kevin Murphy
Associate Sports Editor

All three of the presidential finalists have integrated athletics into their backgrounds. Sue Hammersmith, the provost and vice chancellor for Academic Affairs at Wisconsin-Green Bay, serves on an NCAA Committee. William Perry, the vice-provost at Texas A&M, was a former basketball official. Blair Lord, the vice-president of student affairs at Eastern, sees Eastern student-athletes often on campus.

Hammersmith works with UW-Green Bay and NCAA

Hammersmith is a member of the NCAA Athletics Certification Program. As a member, she said her main priority is to make sure the school is complying with the NCAA’s codes. Hammersmith also serves on the Governance and Commitment to Rules Compliance Sub-Committee. Her job is to write reports to the NCAA through a self-study so that UW-Green Bay can earn reaccreditation. Hammersmith said she raised money for women’s athletics at UW-Green Bay through the Phoenix Club.



NORA MABERRY | THE DAILY EASTERN NEWS

Current Eastern President Lou Hencken watches an Eastern baseball game at Coaches Stadium on March 25. Hencken has attended many athletic events during his career at Eastern.

Perry interacts as former college basketball player

William Perry is the vice-provost of Texas A & M. “Athletics offers an opportunity for people to come together,” Perry said. Perry has personal experience with sports. He played basketball in high school and college at Park University, an National Association of Intercollegiate Athletics school in Parkville, Mo.

Perry said playing college basketball fulfilled his vision of being a student-athlete. He plays tennis now to keep in shape. Perry officiated high school and college basketball games in the ’70s and in the ’80s, and coached baseball, basketball and soccer at the youth level from 1987-96. “You get to meet people at a different venue,” Perry said.

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CAMPUS | SPORTS

Disc golf courses soar in popularity

Eastern to construct course for golf-like ’70s sport

By Beth Hackett
Senior Activities Reporter

Disc Golf is one of the fastest-growing sports in the world. The sport is becoming popular on campuses throughout the nation and in Illinois. Courses have been built at Southern Illinois University, Western Illinois University and Illinois State University. Ken Baker, director of the Student Recreation Center, said a disc golf course is in the process of being completed on campus. Right now, there are stakes in the ground to mark the course, and Baker said he has seen students playing the stakes already. Disc golf has the same concept as golf, except it is played with a disc or Frisbee.



JOHN BAILEY | THE DAILY EASTERN NEWS

Nick Smith, a sophomore forestry major at Lake Land College, plays disc golf on the newly constructed course near the intramural fields on Monday. The object is for a team or individual player to throw the disc into a metal-chain basket or target and traverse a course from beginning to end in the fewest number of disc throws. Disc golf uses many of the same rules, regulations and terminology as golf, and follows the same codes of conduct. Baker said the course is open and free for any students to play on at any time. John DeGiulio, a senior education major, said he will definitely take advantage of the courses on campus. “(Disc golf) is a free sport, it’s fun for guys and girls, and it’s a good form of exercise.” Addie Isbell, Professional Disc Golf Association administrative assistant, said the sport is quickly catching on – they no longer have to explain what disc golf is.

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CITY | ORDINANCES

City Council to discuss contracts

Keg permit revisions, Lake Charleston properties top issues for council

By Stephen Di Benedetto
Senior City Reporter

The City Council wanted to have the Police Department in full control of issuing keg permits, but recently had a change of heart. The council will discuss the keg ordinance and its possible revisions at tonight’s meeting at 7:30. The council will also discuss the properties along Lake Charleston whose leases are set to expire in 2009. At the March 20 meeting, the council put the keg ordinance on file for public inspection. The ordinance called for the police to have full control of issuing keg permits, but after meeting with liquor store owners, the council wanted to revise the ordinance, said Mayor John Inyart. The reason the council wanted to change the ordinance in the first place was because it was receiving inaccurate information on the permits.

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CAMPUS | BANNER

Registration moves along with a few minor kinks

By Ashley Rueff
Senior University Reporter

Nate Dissi registered for his Fall 2007 courses at 1 a.m. Monday using the new Banner registration system for the first time. He registered early to make sure he got into the courses he needs during his senior year. “It was much more convenient,” than the old system, said Dissi. He was one of about 1,000 students who registered by 3:30 p.m. Monday, which was the first day of registration for seniors and priority registration students.

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Batter up!



JOHN BAILEY | THE DAILY EASTERN NEWS

Senior outfielder Casey Spears shows this little leaguer the proper technique on how to bunt a baseball Monday afternoon at Coaches Stadium.

Practical jokes tangle the web

Popular Web sites play pranks on users in celebration of April Fool's Day

By Katie Packer
Independent Florida Alligator (U. Florida)

(U-WIRE) GAINESVILLE, Fla. — “Bracket Buster: Ohio State and Florida have mutually agreed on a tie and will not play the championship game,” the Facebook Web site reported Sunday.

On April 1, many popular Web sites played practical jokes on the

readers they serve.

Facebook, the social networking Web site used by many college students, ran bogus posts through its News Feed.

A new “LivePoke” service, for instance, promised to dispatch a live person to literally poke a friend of the user’s choice.

“I thought somebody hacked Facebook,” said Michael Hacker, a University of Florida freshman. “It was funny after I realized it was a joke.”

Google introduced two prank services: Gmail Paper, which claimed to deliver users’ e-mails in paper form, and Google TiSP, which

promised a free wireless network that would operate through sewage lines.

Other popular sites posted fake content. NASA’s Astronomy Picture of the Day, for instance, depicted the first Quidditch match played in space – a reference to the Harry Potter fantasy series.

And fake products, including caffeine sticks that could be inhaled and a helmet attachment for the Wii, were featured on ThinkGeek.com.

“I think it’s great that Web sites can have a sense of humor,” Hacker said. “It made my day.”

UNIVERSITY WIRE | BRIEFS

Illinois man hits officer with burrito

(U-WIRE) DEKALB — A DeKalb man is charged with criminal defacement and battery after spitting on a squad car and hitting an officer with a half-eaten burrito.

After investigating a fight in the parking lot behind Walgreens, DeKalb Police officers returned to their vehicles and saw the suspect spit chewed food on a squad car.

The suspect, Grant M. Swanberg, 26, of DeKalb, approached the squad car, stopped, looked inside and began to spit food on the windshield, the driver-side window and the driver-side door.

Swanberg continued southbound on First Street and stopped for a passing train.

Officers escorted Swanberg back to the squad car and told him to clean it off. When finished, officers asked Swanberg for identification.

Swanberg removed his wallet from his pocket and as Sgt. Jason Leverton began to take the wallet from him, Swanberg pulled the wallet back and struck Sgt. Leverton in the head with the

half-eaten burrito.

— Katie Trusk, Northern Star

Obama gives impromptu speech

(U-WIRE) TALLAHASSEE, Fla. — Barack Obama made a stop in Tallahassee on Friday, March 30, on his campaigning tour to speak to one of the most unpredictable voting states in the nation.

His visit included an impromptu free lecture open to the public that took place just steps away from the capitol building. Obama’s visit attracted a diverse group of people, including high school students, despite it being a school day. A group of local high school students from the organization WrapUpTheVote were present.

The group’s president, Bernon Stewart, said that their involvement in politics is imperative even though most of them are not old enough to vote.

— Staff Reports, FSView & Florida Flambeau (Florida State U.)

4 University students left behind in Belize

(U-WIRE) LOUISVILLE, Ky. — The International Service Learning Program’s

annual spring break trip took an unexpected turn this year when four University of Louisville students and an ISLP chaperone were left behind in Belize.

The five had to stay in the country after program officials were informed that there were not enough seats to accommodate the entire group on a Continental Airlines flight back to the United States.

Questions over whether racism was a factor in determining which students remained in the country where the U.S. government has issued safety warnings for tourists are currently being investigated by the university.

— Brad Atzinger, The Louisville Cardinal (U. Louisville)

Legality of marijuana sparks student debate

(U-WIRE) LOUISVILLE, Ky. - Students’ minds lit up during the first of several debates hosted by University of Louisville Properties.

Groups for and against legalizing marijuana debated last Tuesday night in Kurz Hall.

Sgt. Steve Salyers

of the Louisville Metro Police Narcotics/Vice unit moderated the event, and a panel of University faculty, staff and students, including a representative from the Commonwealth Attorney’s Office, judged it.

About 50 people listened to the opinions. The pro-legalization side emphasized the medicinal and economic benefits gained from the decriminalization of marijuana.

In contrast, the opposing side stressed the theory that marijuana is a gateway drug to “harder,” more dangerous drugs such as cocaine and heroin.

Parthasarathy opened the debate by touting the therapeutic benefits of the plant. Sophomore Tyler Kilgore, a biology major, rebutted by citing several studies which claim marijuana is a dangerous carcinogen. The United States should not legalize another cancer-causing drug, Kilgore said.

The judging panel agreed, and the pro-legalization side emerged as the victors of the first ULP debate.

— Tejas Shastry, The Louisville Cardinal (U. Louisville)

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Doubles as singles on the rise

More students opt to pay for more space in residence halls

By Nicole Milstead

Senior Campus Reporter

Roommate or not? That is the \$750 question.

Students who live on campus can buy out their rooms and live in a double room as a single by paying an extra \$750 per semester.

The number of doubles being bought out as singles is increasing.

In Fall 2006, there were 386 double rooms bought out as singles in the residence halls. That number rose to 452 this semester.

For Fall 2007, 480 rooms are tentatively scheduled to be doubles as singles, but that number will not be official until after housing deposits are due, said Mark Hudson, director of Housing and Dining Services. Deposits are due June 12.

Students returning to housing can request to have a single room and, if available, they are granted in order from seniors to sophomores.

Freshmen are not allowed to buy out their rooms because it is beneficial for incoming students to have a roommate, Hudson said.

"If you are an incoming freshman in a room by yourself, you can very easily isolate yourself," Hudson



JOHN BAILEY | THE DAILY EASTERN NEWS

Megan Ebeling, a junior mathematics major, relaxes in her single dorm room Monday afternoon.

said.

Other universities, such as the University of Illinois at Champaign-Urbana, have been filled past capacity for the last four years and do not allow students to buy rooms out in the fall, said Jaime Redmond, from University of Illinois housing information.

"A lot of college is about learning how to develop social networks and academic support networks and learning how to be a good sharer is an important part of a college experience," Hudson said. "As you have a roommate, you can make connections and have more people you can feel connected to."

Megan Ebeling, a junior math major, and her roommate from last year bought out a two-room suite. She feels it is worth it because she gets more privacy, and it is less confusing to have a private room.

"I have had roommates and I have never had a problem, but it is really reasonable for what you get," Ebeling said. "If it cost more (than \$750) I don't think I would pay for it. I would suck it up and deal."

Other students do not feel that having a private room is worth paying the extra \$750. Brian Strole, a freshman marketing major, said even though he has had problems with roommates, it is not worth

paying for a private room.

Nick Lore, a freshman accounting major, said it not a big deal that freshmen can't buy out their rooms because it is not worth paying the extra money.

"One of the benefits of having a roommate is always having someone to talk to and hang out with," he said.

Brianna Barger, a freshman elementary education major, agrees with Lore.

Barger didn't know her roommate before she came to Eastern, but said they get along really well.

"I would be scared of sleeping in my room by myself," she said.

Involvement wins student recognition

First award for Outstanding Student in women's studies given

By Ashley Mefford

Activities Reporter

Carly Riley has been interested in women's rights for as long she can remember.

Riley, a senior English major with a minor in professional writing and women's studies, is president of the Women's Studies Student Club. She will be named Outstanding Student in Women's Studies.

She will be honored at the Women's Studies Program Awards Reception at 6:30 tonight in the Tarble Arts Center Atrium.

It is the first year that this award has been in effect.

"I've been interested in women's rights since I was a little girl," Riley said. "My parents and grandparents are feminists and taught my brother and me about equality and the importance of women's rights."

One class in particular made Riley more aware of inequalities regarding women, she said. It was the class women, men and culture that made her think about women's rights more in college.

"Two years ago, I took women, men and culture, which was one of the two required courses for the minor, and became more and more interested in the history of women and feminism and became more globally aware of things going on presently," Riley said.

It was clear to Riley's family that she was becoming more interested in women's studies.

"Carly was concerned about women and women in the workplace," said Glendora Lanning, Riley's grandmother.

Several classes required for the women's studies minor also count for general education requirements.

Riley has taken courses in other departments and saw how women are portrayed in those classes.

"Carly is one of those students because of whom we (the faculty) change our curriculum and who makes our experience as teachers enjoyable and rewarding," said Penka Skachkova, coordinator of the women's studies minor.

Riley is involved in many different campus activities that support women's rights.

"One needs to get out of their comfort area to be able to understand inequalities in different areas of life, and that's what Carly does. She dares to explore the unknown and to bring activism to the passive," Skachkova said.

Riley said the most successful woman's studies program was the "Bitch" magazine reading group, which began this year.

Being involved in both the women's studies minor and a lot of women's studies events, Riley has been able to have a different perspective about the world around her.

"I was inspired and excited by the class, and started seeing everything with more clarity, not just from the bubble of being a student in



JAY GRABIEC | THE DAILY EASTERN NEWS

Carly Riley, a senior English major, holds texts for her feminist theory class in her bedroom at the University Village on Monday afternoon.

my twenties in Illinois," she said. "Because the state is so progressive, and my family is so liberal, it was eye-opening to see what was going on in our society for women of all walks of life."

Graduating will not stop Riley's love for supporting women's rights. She will continue to support

women's rights as she has all of her life.

"I will always be an advocate for women's rights because I am a woman," she said. "Until we achieve full equality, I will support the movement and work to educate, inform and involve as many people as I can."

campusbriefs

Faculty Senate to announce faculty election results

» Jeff Ashley, vice-chair of the Faculty Senate, will announce the faculty election results at today's meeting.

He will present the results to senate for their approval, said Senate Chair Assege HaileMariam.

She expects the presentation to last about 30 minutes.

After the results are announced, senate members will then walk to the Tarble Arts Center where the Retirement Faculty Reception is being held at 2:30 p.m., HaileMariam said.

— Jess Kinsella, Staff Reporter

China's rise as a superpower to be discussed at Lumpkin

» Xiasi Yang will speak about globalization and China's rise into a world superpower.

The speech, "The Global Significance of China's Rise," will take place at 6 tonight in Lumpkin Hall Auditorium. Yang is an associate professor of philosophy and the coordinator of Asian Studies at Harold Washington College.

The speech will address why China continues to rise in stature despite 1.3 billion people still requiring three meals a day and a non-democratic political system.

Graduate art exhibit opens at Tarble Arts Center

» A public reception Sunday afternoon kicked off the 2007 Graduate Art Exhibition.

It will be on display in the main galleries at the Tarble Arts Center until April 29.

Admission is free and open to the public.

— Marco Santana

police report

» Theft — On March 29, it was reported that electronic equipment was stolen from two computers in Buzzard Hall.

» Theft — On March 29. An incident was referred to the Coles County States Attorney and the Judicial Affairs Office.

our mistakes

» In the "Ashmore to host resort" story on Page 3 of Monday's edition of the Daily Eastern News, it incorrectly stated the number of golf courses the resort has.

Lincoln Springs Resort has an 18-hole professional-level miniature golf course.

The DEN regrets the errors.

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COLUMNIST | MICHAEL KLEEN

Our obligation to return help

The bonds of society consist of a series of obligations and reciprocal relationships that hold our social order together. Whether it be in regards to family, community, nation or country, social decay occurs when those bonds are no longer respected or attended to, or when the members of those assemblies decide they are no longer obligated to follow the laws or principles laid down by previous generations.

Sadly, something like a social obligation seems anathema to my generation. The idea that a citizen of a country, whether he or she is a private person or a public official, has an obligation to protect the life, liberty and property of the whole seems absurd and archaic. We should only wish to get rich at the expense of our neighbors, we are told, and abandon outdated ideas like family ties, personal sacrifice or respect for the rule of law.

But imagine a situation in which you leave your car at a repair shop and hand the mechanic a check, only to have the mechanic take your money, smile at you and say, “Thanks for the check, but forget about the car. I just don’t feel like fixing it.” I have no doubt that you would feel the grossest injustice had been done to you, but in our society everyone wants to be that mechanic. We take everything and give nothing. To fulfill our obligations seems like too much of a burden.

When the social bonds are in such an advanced state of decay, and everyone wants to be that lazy mechanic, our neighbors and our elected officials turn their backs on one another. From a father who abandons his pregnant girlfriend, to a police officer who refuses to explain parking ordinances, to a phone company that abuses prison labor, to a prosecutor who uses anti-terror legislation against protestors, mistreating each other is easier than living up to our responsibilities.

We pay taxes, so we expect the fire department to respond to fires. We grant our government a monopoly on the use of force, and we expect that force will not be abused. Our elected representatives pass laws, and they expect that we will follow those laws.

A city official that would use eminent domain to expand a strip mall at the expense of the property of her neighbors has already decided that her own financial interests matter more than fulfilling her obligation to protect the property of her neighbors. Likewise, a man who steals from another has decided that his personal wealth is more important than upholding his obligation to honor his neighbor’s property, as well as the law.

Breakdowns in the aforementioned social obligations as well as countless other possible examples both small and large, lead to mistrust and hostility not only with each other, but with the arms of government as well. A society cannot function properly in an atmosphere where these kinds of obligations have become an unwelcome burden, or where personal enrichment takes precedence over the sacred responsibility to protect each other’s fundamental rights to life, liberty and property.



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ourview

The rest is up to us

It happens once every 39 seconds. Someone in the United States attempts suicide.

By the end of this editorial, six people in the U.S. will have tried to kill themselves. By the end of the day, it will be more than 2,000. Eighty-eight of those attempts will be successful. Three of those deaths will be college students.

Suicide is the cause of death for more than 30,000 people each year.

It happens everywhere, to people all ages, ethnicities, sexes and social classes.

And it happens here at Eastern. Students and young adults frequently experience stress, depression and other feelings that are linked to suicide.

For people between the ages of 15 to 24, suicide is the third leading cause of death behind accidents and homicide. For college students, it’s the second leading cause of death. One in 10 college students attempt suicide, according to Half of Us, a campaign attempting to lower suicide rates of college students and young adults.

It’s important for the university to push for discussion of the topic. Providing access to supportive friends, family, co-workers, counselors and others is the best way to prevent suicide, according to the National

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Center for Injury Prevention and Control. Last week, the Eastern counseling center held its eighth annual conference on suicide prevention.

Half of Us, a national campaign sponsored by mtvU and the Jed Foundation, has recently accelerated its fight to prevent suicide by adding popular spokespeople such as Pete Wentz of Fallout Boy and Mary J. Blige, both of whom have battled depression and contemplated suicide.

Contrary to popular belief, suicides happen less frequently in the winter and are highest in the spring. These suicide prevention events are just in time to possibly save lives.

But as has been evident on campus this academic year, one or two events a semester

aren’t enough to completely prevent suicide.

It’s important for us to pay close attention to signs of depression and stress in ourselves and in our friends, family and all people we come into contact with each day.

Besides stress and depression, some important risk factors to look for are past and current substance abuse, family history of suicide or maltreatment, impulsive and aggressive tendencies, physical illness, easy access to methods of suicide, feelings of hopelessness and unwillingness to seek help.

The university can only do so much to try to prevent suicide. The rest is up to us as members of a campus community to help others.

Although Illinois has one of the lowest suicide rates in the country, according to the American Association of Suicidology, three people of this state commit suicide every day.

We have to keep an eye on ourselves and those close to us to help battle suicide.

A study conducted for the Half of Us campaign found that 77 percent of students would not want their friends to know they were seeking help for emotional issues.

It can’t always be as easy as giving help to those that ask for it.

Sometimes we have to do more in order to save lives.

The editorial is the majority opinion of The Daily Eastern News editorial board. Reach the Opinions editor at DENopinions@gmail.com.

OTHER VIEWS | HARVARD

The College Campus Press Act – an Illinois state bill ensuring that college media at public universities is not subject to review by their administrations – addresses this troubling new standard. The Illinois Senate unanimously passed the bill last month, and it now awaits a vote by the House.

In (universities) there is a need for strong, independent press, a greater emphasis on the freedom and diversity of ideas and a greater capacity for responsibility among journalists.

That being said, we hope that student-journalists do not take the weighty responsibility that comes with independence lightly. The press, including college media, has long provided an invaluable resource for the communities it has served. But only unfettered can newspapers be valuable as such; censorship, or even the possibility thereof, has no place on the college campus.

FEATURED BLOGGER

"I guess every little thing Chris Sligh did wasn't magic because he was the person to get the boot last week from American Idol. Celebrity guest Gwen Stefani coached and helped the Idol kids. Some did her justice such as Jordin Sparks singing No Doubt's "Hey baby" and Chris Richardson singing "Don't Speak," but one person in particular made her feel ashamed."

EUGENIA JEFFERSON

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COLUMNIST | JACOB FOSTER

Racism still thrives around the country

On March 12, the *Chicago Tribune* ran a story about the racial implications of the sentencing of Shaquanda Cotton to up to seven years in prison.

At the age of 14, Shaquanda was a freshman at the local high school in Paris, Texas, when she shoved a hall monitor before school had officially begun. Shaquanda was trying to enter the school early in order to visit the school nurse for her ADHD medication.

Also, Shaquanda maintains that the hall monitor pushed her first. She had no arrest record prior to this incident, and the hall monitor, a 58-year-old teacher’s aide, was not injured.

Now, Shaquanda, in being sent to the Texas Youth Commission prison system, is being treated as the worst of repeat juvenile offenders in the state of Texas.

Commission spokesman Tim Savoy is quoted in the article as saying “The Texas Youth Commission is reserved for those youth who are most violent or most habitual.”

He also later refers to it as “typically the last resort of the juvenile system in Texas.” So what business does Shaquanda have in a place like this?

Before this incident, Shaquanda’s mother had become involved in protesting the perceived discriminatory practices of the school. As a result, Shaquanda began to

garner patently unfair write-ups including one for defacing a desk that the school later admitted showed no signs of being vandalized.

Sound unfair?
Discriminatory?
Racist, even?
Wait, there’s more.

Three months earlier, Lamar County Judge Chuck Superville, who presided over Shaquanda’s case, sentenced a different 14-year-old girl, this one convicted of arson for burning down her family’s house, to probation.

Oh yeah, this girl is white.
Crazy, I know.

I mean, sure, it was her own family’s house, so they probably wouldn’t have elected to press charges. Alas, because fires do in fact spread, the incident becomes a problem of public safety and her crime, against the community.

So, why the disparity?
You know, call me crazy, but I think it might be because racism is still alive and grasping in the good ol’ US of A. But then, maybe this is just an isolated incident from a backwater town in the middle of Texas, right?

If that’s what you think, then I say we should call James Jackson from Nassau County, New York who came to work to find a noose hanging up in his office.

After we talk to him, we can summon Sean Bell from beyond the grave and chat about last November when he was murdered by police on the day of his wedding as a result of racial profiling.

Heck, while we’re at it, let’s take a friggin field trip down to Clinton, South Carolina and ask the black people living in the daily shadow of the KKK museum how life’s treating them in an America where racism is so totally dead. Yeah.

As I’m sure you recall, there was a fairly large argument that took place a while back through *The Daily Eastern News* surrounding race. One of the pervading arguments made by one side was that racism had lost its teeth long ago and is only used as a crutch by the descendants of real victims.

These people need to understand that situations like Shaquanda Cotton’s occur every day and most of them are never even reported.



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» Athletics

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Perry said it is fun going to the games, especially football, and said it is the responsibility of the president to get to know as many players as possible.

Perry said while he coached he tried to emphasize rules to his athletes.

He said athletes should respect the teammates, opponents and have fun playing the game.

Lord believes in the importance of athletics

“Athletic activities at Eastern and all other universities are much broader than just intercollegiate athletics,” Lord said.

This includes intramurals, club sports and intercollegiate athletics.

“They give students with vastly different skill levels opportunities to participate, to enjoy the physical activity, and to work on a healthy lifestyle,” Lord said. “They also offer the entire campus an opportunity to foster campus spirit and enthusiasm as well as serving as very enjoyable

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“(Sports) offer the entire campus an opportunity to foster campus spirit and enthusiasm.”

‘entertainment’ to many on campus and off. Athletics are not the reason we exist, but they can be a wonderful ancillary activity.”

Lord is also familiar with the academic intricacies of Eastern athletics.

Lord has served as an academic-progress certifying official for three years and is used to the academic-progress rules of the NCAA.

“I would continue to be an advocate for this very appropriate balance we have fostered here at Eastern,” Lord said.

President believes in the value of athletics

President Lou Hencken said he would not comment on how the new president should interact with athletes.

However, Hencken did state the

importance of athletics.

When Hencken became president in 2001 he set goals for the athletic department.

Hencken’s goals for student athletes were a high graduation rate, compliance with the NCAA rules and competitiveness.

Hencken served as the interim director of athletics in 1996-97 and served as vice president of student affairs at the time as well.

Hencken said doing both jobs was a mastery of time management. He said people in both departments had things organized for him.

“They all stepped up to the plate,” Hencken said.

Hencken said he’s followed a philosophy that he’s had since he was a resident director.

“Let them do their job,” Hencken said.

Hencken said it is important to

be seen and to demonstrate to the athletes that the president cares.

He does this by going to the games.

Hencken traveled to the Eastern Illinois-Samford football game in Birmingham, Ala. this year.

This support is noticed by coaches and athletes.

“The students feel like they know him as a person (when they see him at games),” said head softball coach Kim Schuette. “It gives them confidence.”

What coaches and athletes want in a president

Head women’s basketball coach Brady Sallee is looking forward to the next president.

“We’re in a really good position with three strong candidates,” Sallee said.

Sallee said the challenge is to build on what Hencken has done in his tenure here.

“The best person can touch all facets of the university,” Sallee said.

Schuette expressed similar sentiments.

Schuette said communication is important for the next president and that everyone wants to be supported.

Senior softball player Sandyn Short said her friends at other universities don’t know their athletic director or president, but that is not the case at Eastern.

“They’re always at our games,” Short said. “It’s kind of a big deal to know that.”

Sophomore football player Norris Smith said it also important for the president to be on campus.

Smith said it helps the football team and it inspires him when he sees the president.

Athletic Director Rich McDuffie said athletics could be an unpredictable aspect of the university.

“Athletics is a volatile business,” McDuffie said. “The last thing I believe a president wants is a potentially volatile situation.”

» Council

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“The problem we have is if we make the students go to the police department to buy a keg permit, I think more of them will try to escape the law because they are not going to want to come by the police department,” Inyart said.

Scott Wolff, co-owner of Gateway Liquors and East Side Package, said Police Chief Paul Welch showed him keg permits that had Never Never Land and 123 Timbuktu Ave. written out as the address.

“We’ve been here a long time, and we are willing to work with the

city in any way,” Wolff said.

Wolff said that he has talked to Inyart about developing a new system for issuing keg permits and both sides are willing to comprise.

Wolff and Inyart agreed that students would go out of town to buy kegs if the original ordinance would be in effect.

“If they do that, people are going to go out of town to get their kegs,” Wolff said. “I don’t want to see that happen, and I don’t think the city does either.”

The council will not vote on the ordinance tonight, and it will probably be left on file for public inspection, Inyart said.

“The original idea was to have the police department take (keg

permits) over completely,” Inyart said. “Now we are trying to find a happy medium.”

As for the properties along Lake Charleston, each council member will have a chance to state how they feel about the situation and then the council will discuss the matter, Inyart said.

In 1992, the council voted to set all leases around Lake Charleston to expire in 2009 and included a provision that said the leases would not be renewed.

The people currently leasing those properties will not be in control of that property in 2009, Inyart said.

Inyart said the tenants of the properties came to him last year

OTHER ITEMS ON THE COUNCIL’S AGENDA

» Presenting the city budget beginning May 1 and ending April 30, 2008. The council plans to put the budget on file for public inspection.

» Adjusting the rates for water and sewer water. The council wants to raise the rates for both.

and asked to make a decision to what is going to happen to the property after the leases expired.

He said that the tenants always held out hope that the leases would be renewed.

Inyart formed a committee and put together a public hearing in front of the Board of Zoning and Appeals to discuss the situation.

The committee recommended the land be returned to recreational

use and the Board of Zoning and Appeals took no action on the issue.

Inyart hopes to have a good feel for what the council thinks after tonight’s meeting.

He said that council would not vote on it, but merely discuss it.

“I would imagine the outcome of (the properties along Lake Charleston) will be very evident after tonight’s meeting,” Inyart said.



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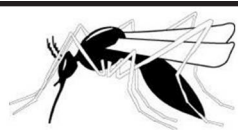
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Chicago Police superintendent retires

Announcement comes amid scandals over officer violence

The Associated Press

CHICAGO—The city’s police superintendent said Monday he was stepping down as head of the beleaguered department, but he would not say what role two videotaped beatings involving off-duty officers had in his decision.

Last month, prosecutors filed felony charges against an officer accused of beating a female bartender. Six other officers were removed from street duty after being accused of assaulting four

businessmen in a bar.

Superintendent Philip J. Cline, who took over in November 2003 and had been expected to retire later this year. On Monday, he only referred to the highly publicized incidents as “these times of challenge.”

To the city’s police officers, the 57-year-old Cline said: “I encourage all of them to rise above any controversy and stay focused on the mission.”

Cline did not take any questions from reporters at a news conference.

Cline said he will stay on until a replacement was found, and thanked Mayor Richard M. Daley for giving him “a once-in-a-lifetime

opportunity” to lead the best police department in the country.

Daley would not say whether he asked Cline to leave; he said Cline had wanted to retire a year ago but stayed at Daley’s request.

“The vast majority of Chicago police officers are dedicated, hard working professional men and women who perform their jobs diligently every day,” Daley said. “Unfortunately, the actions of just a few officers,” can tarnish the department’s image.

The Rev. Jesse Jackson, head of the Chicago-based Rainbow/PUSH Coalition, said Cline was retiring under “a cloud of scandal.” Future allegations of police misconduct should be subject

Blagojevich prepares for ‘fight of the century’

Governor questions Jesse Jackson’s motives for opposing new business tax

The Associated Press

ELGIN — Gov. Rod Blagojevich said Monday he’s ready for “the fight of the century” over a massive new business tax, and he suggested critics such as the Rev. Jesse Jackson are responding to pressure from financial supporters.

“I just am dying to have this fight, because it is long overdue,” he said Monday as he began a four-day tour of the state to promote his plan.

The \$7.6 billion tax would generate money for schools, health care and property tax relief. It has outraged many business owners, who predict it would force them to raise prices and cut jobs.

But Blagojevich says those predictions are smoke screens to cover the business community’s real goal: raising income and sales taxes on working families.

“Hit the road,” he said to business groups. “We will not raise taxes on the working people of Illinois.”

The plan has other critics as well. Jackson and the Chicago Urban League question its impact on small, minority-owned businesses.

Blagojevich said in an interview with The Associated Press that Jackson has changed his tune since earlier this year. The governor said the two men talked then and Jackson “thought it was a fantastic idea.”

“I think he’s getting calls from his contributors,” Blagojevich said, noting that he and lawmakers are getting the same pressure to “go easy on contributors and have an unfair tax system and screw your constituents.”

Jackson did not immediately return a phone message Monday seeking comment.

The governor took a more conciliatory tone toward lawmakers who oppose his business tax and instead want to raise income and sales taxes while lowering property taxes. Blagojevich said it would be unrealistic to expect lawmakers to make an immediate switch from the

long-discussed “tax swap.”

“We’re asking them to get off of an idea that they’ve supported for a long time,” Blagojevich told the AP.

The tax, the largest in Illinois history, would apply to almost all business transactions. Blagojevich has recently revised his proposal so it would generate \$7.6 billion instead of \$6.3 billion, with the additional money going to property tax relief.

Under his “gross receipts tax,” businesses selling merchandise would pay 0.85 percent on any money they take in. Service businesses would pay 1.95 percent. Business with less than \$2 million in annual sales would be exempt.

The Chicago Democrat began a four-day tour of the state meant to rally support. He plans to visit Rockford, Peoria, Alton, Marion and other cities to highlight groups and businesses that he argues would benefit from his proposal.

Monday’s events included mingling with an invitation-only crowd at an Elgin restaurant and speaking at a Rockford woodworking business, DLM Manufacturing.

DLM is small enough to be exempt from the gross receipts tax, but could enroll in Blagojevich’s proposed program to offer low-cost health insurance for workers. Owner Duntai Mathews said private insurance companies want to charge him \$6,200 a month to cover his employees, but the Blagojevich plan would do it for \$2,800 a month.

Blagojevich says Illinois businesses don’t pay enough taxes and could absorb the new tax without passing it along to customers.

Most money raised by the tax would go toward improving schools and making sure everyone in the state has access to health insurance – two things Blagojevich says would help Illinois’ economy in the long run.

Blagojevich repeated his vow to veto any increase in the income or sales tax, even if the money would be used to achieve his goals of universal health care and better schools.

He argued the taxpayer would end up getting those services but paying a bigger tax bill.

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Art student’s depiction of Obama as Jesus causing a stir

» CHICAGO — An undergraduate student’s paper mache sculpture of Obama as a messianic figure — entitled “Blessing” — is causing a stir at the School of the Art Institute of Chicago.

David Cordero, 24, made the sculpture for his senior show after noticing all the attention Obama has received since he first hinted he may run for the presidency.

It’s about caution in assigning all these inflated expectations on one individual, Cordero said.

“While we respect First Amendment rights and don’t think the artist was trying to be offensive, Senator Obama, as rule, isn’t a fan of art that offends religious sensibilities,” said Obama spokeswoman Jen Psaki.

Field Museum’s new totem pole weds tradition

» CHICAGO — A new 15-foot totem pole that marries traditional carving styles with contemporary techniques was erected Monday at The Field Museum, replacing a pole that was returned to an Alaskan tribe.

The new totem pole was carved by Nathan Jackson, a master carver and member of the Chilkoot-Tlingit Tribe of Alaska, and his son, Stephen Jackson, a sculptor based in New York City.



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CHICAGO BASEBALL | CHANGE OF OWNERSHIP

Tribune plans to sell Cubs

The Associated Press

CHICAGO — Tribune Co. made a stunning pitch to investors on baseball’s opening day: The Chicago Cubs will be sold at season’s end.

The announcement Monday came as the ailing media conglomerate announced its acquisition by billionaire investor Sam Zell. It puts one of sports’ most storied and star-crossed franchises on the block, a year shy of the 100th anniversary of its last World Series title.

Zell, a real estate magnate who already owns part of his hometown Bulls and White Sox, issued no comment about why he’s not interested in keeping the Cubs in connection with the \$8.2

billion deal. The team is one of Tribune’s richest assets.

Bidding for the ballclub and historic Wrigley Field, however, is certain to be fiercely competitive. Analysts have estimated the Cubs could fetch \$600 million or more, a far cry from the \$20.5 million Tribune paid in 1981.

The Cubs’ popularity as a sports franchise, and the lure of potentially steering them to their first championship since 1908, has attracted the interest of many potential buyers since a sale became a strong possibility last year.

Speculation that the Cubs might be destined for new ownership ramped up last fall when Tribune put itself up for possible sale under pressure from disgruntled shareholders.

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MAJOR LEAGUE BASEBALL | ROUNDUP

Indians rout White Sox in opener

The Associated Press

CHICAGO — Grady Sizemore set the tone for the Cleveland Indians with his first swing.

Sizemore homered off Jose Contreras on the game’s second pitch, and the Indians added four more runs in the first inning on their way to a 12-5 victory over the Chicago White Sox in the season opener Monday.

Reds 5, Cubs 1

CINCINNATI — Adam Dunn is thinking more like Ichiro but still swinging like the Bambino.

More intent on putting the ball in play, Dunn homered

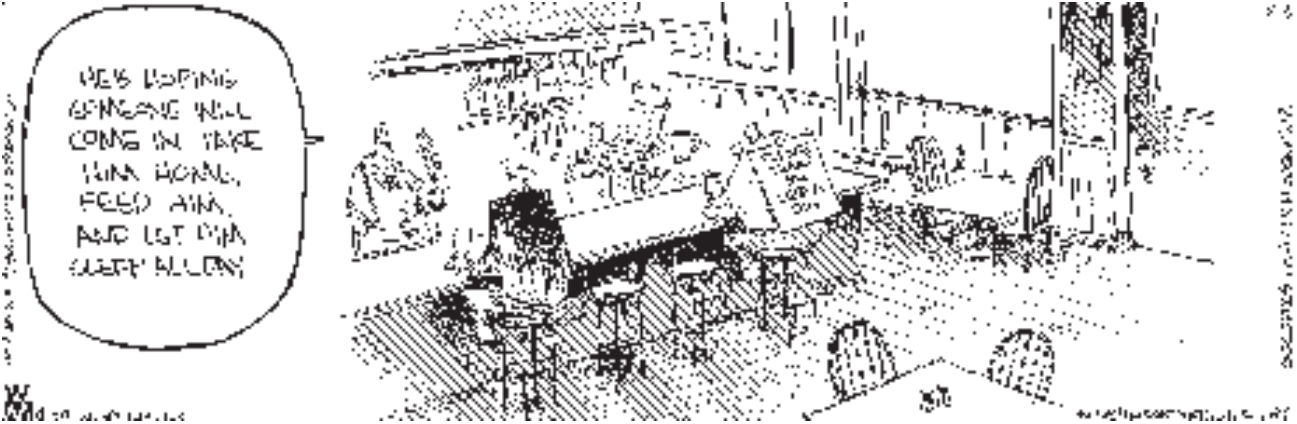
in his first two at-bats on Monday, leading the Cincinnati Reds to a 5-1 victory that spoiled Lou Piniella’s debut as the Chicago Cubs’ manager.

Yankees 9, Devil Rays 5

NEW YORK — Oft-injured Carl Pavano pitched his first major league game since June 2005 and Jason Giambi hit a go-ahead single in the seventh for his third RBI, leading the New York Yankees over the Tampa Bay Devil Rays 9-5 Monday on opening day.

Alex Rodriguez and Jorge Posada homered, and Derek Jeter had a two-run single to help the Yankees win their 10th straight home opener.

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ACROSS

1 ____ Island, Bahamas, boyhood home of 47A

4 Jack's partner

6 Break sound

14 Egg calls

15 Cockle since 1912

18 Discomant

17 With 64A, film for which 47A was an Oscar for Best Actor

19 President with an alias named after him

20 Strongly-in

21 Autobiography of 47A

23 Holey to-die

27 VCR button

28 Film starring 47A with a chest-tapping title song

34 Squeeze (noun)

35 Computer acronym about rainy date

38 Bygone U.S. gas brand

39 Broadway play (and later film) starring 47A

44 Baroque's land

46 Flipped

48 "All bets ____ off"

47 Actor born Feb. 20, 1927

52 Michael Silepe's band

53 Bourne's handler

54 Debut film for 47A, 1999

56 Relative of an ostrich

58 Kind of acid used in bleaches

64 See 17A

66 Fine wool

68 Filter to the Seine

70 ____-no

71 Naval career

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1 ____ class

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3 Legend

4 Cup of ____

5 Apr. 15 check recipient

8 Preceder of Virgo

7 Gallery

11 Classic cigar brand

11 Infr. gpt. for which 47A was named an ambassador

18 Sincere

11 Gift gloves

12 Jet set? Abstr.

13 Artist Magritte

18 Lollies on a cross

22 Royal Infr.

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29 Nets or Jets

29 Gumbo ingredient

31 Closes tightly

31 Hatty-____

32 Necktie shape

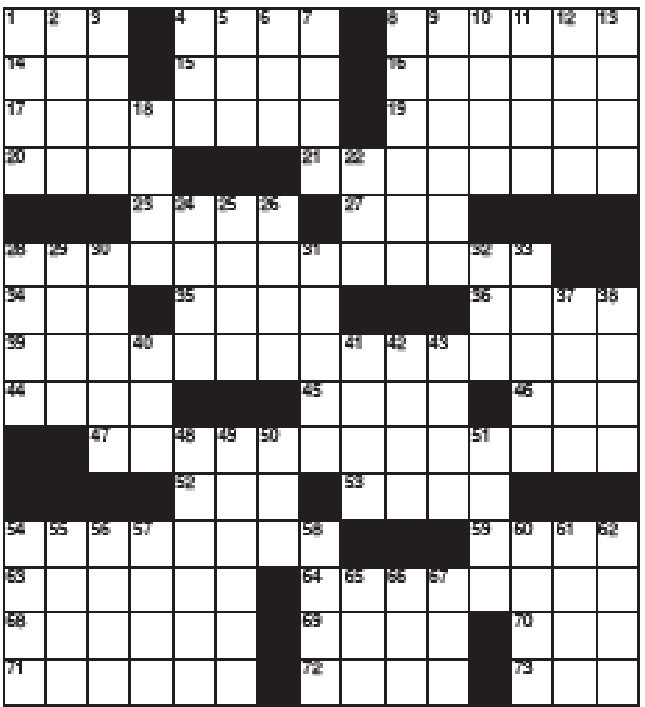
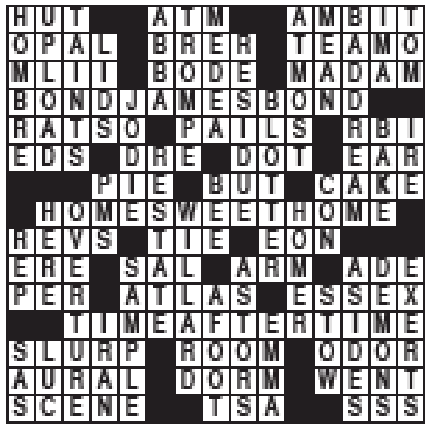
33 Bit of French writing

37 "Certainty"

38 Lollipopness

48 Allowance loan on a budget

ANSWER TO PREVIOUS PUZZLE



Provided by: Jonathan Winkler

41 "Uh-uh"

42 King Priam's home

43 Prince, e.g.

44 Evaporating, with "up"

46 Reader of The Weekly Standard, perhaps

48 Relative of an ostrich

51 Actress Hatchew

54 Hubbard's Irish

55 Flow pulleys

58 Puric ____

57 Et ____ (paid others)

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» Minors

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The players who have advanced to the minors will often return to Eastern and talk to the current players. Uhle said he doesn't tell the current players much, unless they ask. But he does emphasize the importance of hard work and the difficulty of professional pitching.



Kyle Haines
Haines is Eastern's only active minor league player. He plays shortstop for the San Jose Giants.

FACTS ON DRAFTED ALUMNI PLAYERS KYLE HAINES AND CHRIS UHLE

Kyle Haines
» **Throws:** Right handed
» **Bats:** Switch
» **Position:** Shortstop
» **Drafted by:** San Francisco Giants
» **Drafted in :** 2004
» **Plays for:** San Jose Giants (Class A)

Chris Uhle
» **Throws:** Right handed
» **Bats:** Right
» **Position:** Second baseman
» **Drafted by:** Houston Astros
» **Drafted in:** 2004

"You have to work hard because everyone you face in the minors was a No. 1 on a college team," Uhle said. "In college you have your No. 1 guy and it tapers off as you go down. In the minors everyone has dirty stuff you have to watch out for."

Uhle said in his first intra-squad practice he faced someone throwing 100 mph and knew right then what the intensity of the minors was like.

Uhle said he keeps track of the players that were underclassmen when he was a senior.

Senior catcher Jason Cobb was a freshman when Uhle and Haines were seniors.

Cobb said those two were leaders on the team and helped the current seniors learn how to fulfill the leadership role.

"Everything Haines did was about the game of baseball," Cobb said.

"On the bus, when we'd be watching movies he'd be reading Baseball America or something."

Teammates and coaches say that

senior first baseman Erik Huber displays the same kind of work ethic and has a good chance of being drafted this year.

Huber said he loves the opportunity to learn from the different information and tips about hitting that players like Haines and Uhle give about what the minors are like.

The one thing Schmitz said all the drafted players had was a real understanding of the game.

"They weren't just a hitter, or a great pitcher, or a fielder but they seemed to be a little ahead of other players because they knew what was going on, on offense or defense," he said. "They were ahead of others in terms of baseball wise, and it set them apart."

Schmitz said the alumni help to give current players a sense of hope.

"I think some times at Eastern, players think because they are not at LSU or whatever, that they won't make to the next level and that's crazy," Schmitz said. "It's the same game."

» Murphy

FROM PAGE 12

They last made the tournament in 2005 as the No. 8 team.

They finished ninth last year and did not qualify for the tournament.

The OVC changed the rules last year and the Panthers must finish in the top six if they want to qualify for the conference tourney.

The Panthers currently are in third place on the OVC.

Sasidharan said each win gives them more and more confidence.

They'll need that confidence.

They can qualify with Sasidharan leading the way.

That's one guaranteed point for the Panthers if Sasidharan wins her singles match.

She defeated previously undefeated Tennessee Tech's Margot Carter in straight sets, 6-4, 7-5(10-4) on Saturday after rallying from being down 5-2 in the second set.

Her rally against a good conference opponent can motivate her teammates for the rest of the season.

Sasidharan proved that she could beat good players with the car against Carter.

Sasidharan said she had to change her style to do that.

That's amazing for an athlete to do.

Instead of playing one's normal game, one has to change her approach and technique and find a way to win.

She's also humble about being undefeated.

In post-match interviews,

Sasidharan has said it is nice to win but she said it was a good win for the team and how she would have liked the team to win.

Sasidharan's biggest tasks will come against conference opponents Murray State and Southeast Missouri.

Anna Lask of Murray State is the school's record holder in combined singles and doubles victories and is 10-2 and 3-0 in conference this season.

SEMO's Bryce Kristal is 4-0 in conference and 8-3 overall.

Sasidharan has big wins this season, too.

She defeated Meghana Paritala of Northern Iowa in Eastern's 4-3 loss.

She also recorded a straight-set victory, 6-3 and 6-4, against Paritala.

Paritala is a quality opponent who was named to the Missouri Valley Conference Select Team the past two years and has gone 41-12 the past two years.

The OVC selected Sasidharan to finish eighth in the No. 1 singles spot in the preseason.

The worst she can finish is fourth in the conference with three OVC matches left.

The women do have a good shot of making the OVC Tournament because of Sasidharan's play at No. 1 singles.

Head coach John Blackburn said the team builds more confidence around Sasidharan.

Sasidharan said she wants the team to make it to the tourney and win rather than being satisfied with making the tournament.

That's the mentality of a winner.



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WOMEN SPORTS | DIFFERENCE IN PITCHES

Softball pitchers show endurance

Underhand throw more natural way to pitch

By Kevin Kenealy
Online Interactive Editor

Eastern junior softball pitcher Ashley Robison pitched an entire 27-inning game in high school.

She allowed one run and struck out 31 hitters, the second highest single-game total in Illinois High School Association history.

That feat would be impossible in baseball, where it's hard-pressed to find a pitcher to complete a full game.

But by pitching underhand, which softball head coach Kim Schuette describes as a more natural way to pitch, makes marathon pitchers a reality in softball.

"A lot of times in the summer girls can pitch two (games) one day, two the next day," Schuette said. "In college, usually when it gets down to the stretch, and you have your ace, you'll go with your ace every game."

Although Robison did admit to being tired after her 27-inning start, she said the longer she throws, the better she feels.

"We can go full games," Robison said. "You'll notice in softball there's



Sophomore pitcher Kathleen Jacoby (left) can pitch for more consecutive innings than junior pitcher Mike Manns since softball pitchers throw underhand, which is a more natural motion for pitching according to softball head coach Kim Schuette

not as many pitchers as there are in baseball because it is a natural motion and you can go for longer. If you have the endurance, you can do it."

Eastern pitchers will have a chance to throw multiple innings today, when the Panthers host Ball State in a doubleheader.

Sophomore pitcher Kathleen Jacoby, compared to a baseball pitcher, looks like a reliever. Jacoby

threw 6 complete innings in 30 games.

Jacoby, a junk pitcher, features everything from a curveball to a rise ball (a ball she described as going in the opposite direction of a split finger in baseball) and said a softball pitcher needs to warm up her legs.

"There have been times that my arm's been sore," she said. "But the only reason I wouldn't be pitching



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is if my legs have been tired, not my arm."

Despite the long innings softball pitchers go, team trainer Courtney Stefanski said she hasn't seen any arm problems yet this season.

The only situation Stefanski would pull one of the pitchers from a game is if she is injured or is suffering from a previous injury.

In the event of another 27-inning stint this season, Stefanski

said she would recommend to Schuette that the pitcher relax more during practice.

Eastern's head athletic trainer Mark Bonnstetter, who's also worked at Southern Illinois and Miami, cited that the mechanics of softball pitching has an advantage compared to baseball.

"It's much less stressful on the shoulder; in softball you don't need a long recovery period," he said.

However, Bonnstetter did say a softball player is not immune from an arm injury as there have been the occasional rotator cuff and labrum injuries that plagued pitchers in the past.

Schuette said her pitchers begin warming up overhand like the other players, and Jacoby makes sure she starts her pre-game workout with a jog.

With no arm problems thus far this season, the conditioning appears to be working, but that doesn't stop Schuette from crossing her fingers.

"Most times, knock on wood, pitchers don't have trouble with their rotator cuff or in a part of their shoulder or their elbow; not as common to have arm trouble with a softball pitcher, than it is to have trouble with a baseball pitcher," she said.

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TENNIS | HAND STYLES

Lefties have the upper hand

Team's top players are both left-handed

By Chris Sentel
I-Sports Reporter

Gaining an advantage against an opponent in sports can be the difference between winning and losing.

Senior Chuck Levaque and junior Sandra Sasidharan have a natural advantage against opponents in tennis.

Both of these Eastern tennis players are left-handed. The two are also Eastern's top tennis players, playing at No. 1 singles for the last three seasons for the Panthers.

"I think the biggest difference for a men's player is the serve," said Levaque, a senior from Montreal. "It is a huge advantage to be a lefty because we can do what is called a 'lefty spin.' It is just a regular spin that a righty can do, but people are not used to playing against lefties so they don't see the ball coming the same way."

The difference between a left-handed serve and a right-handed serve can be easily seen on a slice serve.

"My forehand shot is going to be towards their backhand, and especially in girl's tennis, you always know that the backhand is a little weaker than the forehand," Sasidharan said.

A right-handed slice serve occurs when a right-hander hits the right side of the ball.

The ball will bounce and break from the server's right to their left.

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Sandra Sasidharan
Senior No. 1 singles player. Sasidharan has been No. 1 singles player for four seasons.



Chuck Levaque
Senior No. 1 singles player. Levaque is one of two left-handers for the men's team.

A left-hander will hit the left side of the ball and the serve will break from the server's left to their right.

"In a doubles match it can make a lot of sense to pair a left-hander with a right-hander because it gives you two forehands, which is the right hand of a right-hander and the left hand of a left-hander, to cover the center of the court, where most of the balls go," said Eastern head tennis coach John Blackburn.

The biggest difference between right-handed tennis players and left-handed players is the lack of number of left-handed players.

On the Panther men's squad, Levaque and junior Chris Thomas are the only left-handers on the team.

Sasidharan is the only left-hander out of nine women's tennis players for Eastern.

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**TODAY at Missouri State
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Williams Field

MEN'S TENNIS
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3 p.m. Darling Courts

WOMEN'S TENNIS
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Eastern women's tennis
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The Panthers can look to their
No. 1 singles player as the reason
why.

Sandra Sasidharan is undefeated
this season at 17-0. She has run the
table on conference opponents (7-
0) at the top singles spot.

Sasidharan and the Panthers
swept OVC action with wins against
Tennessee Tech and Tennessee State
last weekend.

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NCAA CHAMPIONSHIP | FLORIDA 84, OHIO STATE 75

Florida wins second
straight championship

The Associated Press

ATLANTA—A long, tough season
ended with a Gator chomp again.

Mission accomplished for Florida.
The Gators were too much to
handle once again Monday night,
keeping their stranglehold on the
college basketball world with an
84-75 victory over Ohio State
for their second straight national
championship.

Al Horford had 18 points and
12 rebounds, Taurean Green had
16 and Greg Oden's 25 points and
12 rebounds weren't enough to stop
the Gators (35-5) from completing
the quest they set upon when all the
starters delayed their NBA plans for a
try at another title.

They celebrated with the usual
Gator chomps and took a chomp
out of NCAA history, too, becoming
the first team to repeat since Duke in
1991-92 and adding their name to
the debate about the best teams of all
time.

Best athletic programs of all time,
too.

This win completes a 2007
championship-game sweep of the
Buckeyes (35-4) in college's two
biggest sports, men's hoops and
football.

Florida, a 41-14 winner in the
football title game in January, remains
the only program in history to hold
both championships at the same
time.

The celebration looked much the
same as last year.

Lots of jersey tugging, jumping
onto press row and Joakim Noah
running into the stands to hug it out
with loved ones.

Billy Donovan added another
gold star to his resume, and figures
to command more than his current
\$1.7 million next season, whether
he returns to Florida or bolts for a
possible job offer at Kentucky.

Even with the same starting five
as last year, this was more than just
rolling the ball out there.

All season, including in the 86-60
victory over Ohio State in December,
the Gators have morphed into
whatever kind of team they needed to
be to win.



ETHAN HYMAN | MCT

Florida's Lee Humphrey looks to pass against the Ohio State
defense during the NCAA Men's Basketball Championship game at
the Georgia Dome in Atlanta on Monday night.

BASEBALL | MINOR LEAGUE PLAYERS

Eastern representation drops in minors

Only 63 alumni have been
draft picks since 1952

By Brandy Provaznik
Staff Reporter

About one third of the players on the
current Eastern baseball team have a chance
of competing at the next level, head coach Jim
Schmitz said.

The Panthers have had 63 alumni drafted
since 1952 and eight of them have made it to
the major leagues.

The most recent draft picks were shortstop
Kyle Haines (San Francisco Giants) and
second baseman Chris Uhle (Houston Astros)
in 2004.

In 2003, the Montreal Expos drafted catcher
Bret Pignatiello and the St. Louis Cardinals
drafted right-handed pitcher Jordan Pals.

Haines is currently Eastern's only active
player in the minors.

Haines is a shortstop for the San Jose Giants
— a Class A affiliate for the San Francisco
Giants.

"We are a little thin right now," Schmitz
said.

"We had some numbers (in the minors) but
we have some younger guys with talent and
hopefully we will have a lot more. That isn't
our ultimate goal. It's to bring kids in and get
them a good education and all that good stuff
but a couple times they get through it."

Uhle was drafted by the Astros and played
for a year before being released in the spring
of 2005.

Pals played last season for the Springfield
(Mo.) Cardinals, but Pals was released last
week from the team.

Schmitz said Pals seemed optimistic about
getting picked up by another team when
Schmitz talked to him last week.

"That is kind of how it is in the minors,"
Schmitz said. "They'll say they love you and
then the next year release you."



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Former Eastern shortstop Kyle Haines (left) and former second baseman Chris Uhle were
drafted in the 2004 MLB draft. They are the last Panthers to be drafted.

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